

# Missouri State Board of Education

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## MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION August 6-7, 2009

The Missouri State Board of Education met on August 6-7, 2009, in Jefferson City, Missouri.

Present: David Liechti, St. Joseph, President  
Peter F. Herschend, Branson, Vice President  
Rev. Stan Archie, Kansas City, Member  
Deborah Demien, Wentzville, Member  
J. Michael Ponder, Cape Girardeau, Member  
Sybl Slaughter, Lebanon, Member  
Russell Thompson, Columbia, Member  
Chris L. Nicastro, Commissioner of Education  
Jeanne Kujath, Executive Assistant to the State Board  
Deputy Commissioner Bert Schulte; Associate Commissioner  
Gerri Ogle; Assistant Commissioners Heidi Atkins Lieberman,  
Charles Brown, Jeanne Loyd, Tom Quinn, and Stan Johnson;  
Mark Van Zandt, General Counsel; Jim Morris, Director of  
Public Information; and Robin Coffman, Assistant to the  
Commissioner

No. 11413  
Call to Order  
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President Liechti called the business meeting of the Missouri State Board of Education to order at 1:05 p.m. The meeting was held in the State Board of Education meeting room on the first floor of the Jefferson State Office Building, Jefferson City, Missouri.

No. 11414  
Agenda

The agenda for the August 6-7, 2009, meeting of the State Board of Education was approved as presented.

No. 11415  
Minutes  
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It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Dr. Thompson, to approve the minutes of the June 25-26, 2009, meeting of the State Board of Education as presented.

Motion carried. Yes: 6

No. 11416  
President's  
Report

President Liechti welcomed Commissioner Chris Nicastro to her first meeting of the State Board of Education.

President Liechti reported that the Missouri School Boards Association has once again provided an opportunity for the State Board of Education to participate in their annual conference to be held at Tan-Tar-A, Osage Beach, Missouri on October 24, 2009. The State Board's session will take place from 10:00 to 10:50 a.m. on Saturday, October 24.

President Liechti thanked the North Pemiscot School District students for their excellent artwork which is on display in the sixth floor offices and State Board Room.

Rev. Archie reported on the success of the "Hands of Hope KC Extreme Makeover" in Kansas City, Missouri where local volunteers remodeled five school district buildings involving over 1,000 individuals. He also reported that on August 13, 2009, the Kansas City School District will host an Adopt-A-School Celebration and Appreciation Luncheon that will honor the work and partnerships between churches and the Kansas City schools.

Ms. Slaughter reported that she and Peter Herschend attended the annual School Administrators Conference held on August 3 and 4, 2009, at Tan-Tar-A, Osage Beach. She remarked that Mr. Herschend represented the State Board at the luncheon honoring "Pioneers in Education" and memorial tribute to the

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late D. Kent King, who served as Commissioner of Education from 2000 to 2009.

No. 11417  
NASBE  
Report

Rev. Archie reported that he and President Liechti will attend the National Association of State Boards of Education Annual Meeting to be held October 15-17, 2009, in Cincinnati Ohio.

No. 11418  
Closed  
Session

Ms. Slaughter moved that a closed session, with a closed record and closed vote, be held during the meeting of the State Board of Education on September 10-11, 2009, as posted by the Executive Assistant to consider the following:

1. Legal actions, causes of action, litigation, or legal work product relating to the State Board of Education and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, as well as any confidential or privileged communications between those entities and legal counsel;
2. Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of employees of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education;
3. Individually identifiable personnel records, performance ratings or records pertaining to employees or applicants for employment; and
4. Other records protected from disclosure by law.

Motion was seconded by Dr. Thompson and carried.

Vote: Yes Ponder, Herschend, Archie, Demien,  
Thompson, Slaughter, Liechti

Following such affirmative vote, the vote of each Board member on the question of holding the closed meeting, closed record and closed vote and the statutory reason therefor was announced publicly by the Executive Assistant.

It was moved by Ms. Slaughter to direct the Executive Assistant to prepare, post, and make available to the news media notice of such closed

No. 11418 meeting, closed record, and closed vote as required by law, and that a copy of  
Closed such notice be filed with the minutes of the meeting which it announces.  
Session  
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8/6/09 Motion was seconded by Dr. Thompson and carried.

No. 11419 It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Dr. Thompson, to approve  
Consent the consent agenda as follows:  
Agenda

Consideration of Personnel Report (Exhibit 1)

Consideration of Investment Transactions by Central Bank for Trust Funds  
(Exhibit 2)

Consideration of Adoption of Personnel Policies (Exhibit 3)

Financial Summary (Exhibit 4)

Motion carried. (Yes: 6)

No. 11420 President Liechti asked State Board members to look at the suggested  
State Board meeting dates for Board meetings through June 2010. After discussion, it was  
Meeting the consensus of the Board to accept the dates as presented:  
Dates

September 10-11, 2009	Jefferson City
October 23, 2009	Lake of the Ozarks
No November meeting	
December 17-18, 2009	Jefferson City
January 19-20, 2010	Jefferson City
February 18-19, 2010	Jefferson City
March 25-26, 2010	Jefferson City
April 22-23, 2010	Jefferson City
May 20-21, 2010	Jefferson City
June 17-18, 2010	Jefferson City

No. 11421 It was moved by Ms. Slaughter, seconded by Rev. Archie, to approve  
Requests for requests for issuance of certificates of license to teach for the following  
Issuance of applicants:  
Teaching/  
Substitute  
Certificates Justin L. Johnson—certificate of license to teach, social science, grades 7-12

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John A. Kitchens—certificate of license to teach, physical science, grades 7-12;  
chemistry, grades 7-12  
Ronald C. Wilkerson—substitute certificate of license to teach

Motion carried. (Yes: 6) (Exhibit 5)

No. 11422  
Request for  
Substitute  
Certificate to  
Teach  
Christopher  
C. Key

The request by Christopher C. Key for a substitute certificate of license to teach was taken up by the Board. This matter came before the State Board as a result his guilty plea and suspended imposition of sentence to the felony, Nonsupport in Each of Six Months in Excess of \$5000, in September 2000; and his guilty plea and suspended imposition of sentence to the felony, Theft/Stealing, in December 2007.

Failed for lack of motion. (Exhibit 6)

No. 11423  
Discipline to  
the Teaching  
Certificate of  
Vernon  
Bizzell

After a review of the transcript and other documentation, it was moved by Mr. Herschend, seconded by Rev. Archie, to take no action against Vernon Bizzell's certificate of license to teach. This matter came before the State Board as a result his guilty plea to the misdemeanor, Driving While Intoxicated in January 2004; and his guilty plea to the class D felony, Driving While Intoxicated—Persistent Offender, in September 2007. (Mr. Ponder recused himself).

Motion carried. (Yes: 5) (Exhibit 7)

No. 11424  
Discipline to  
the Teaching  
Certificate of  
Julie Hammer

After a review of the documentation, it was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Ms. Slaughter, to accept the joint motion and agreed settlement, joint stipulation of facts and conclusions of law, waiver of hearing before the Missouri State Board of Education, and jointly agreed upon disciplinary order.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6) (Exhibit 8)

No. 11425  
Discipline to  
the Teaching  
Certificate of  
Floyd King  
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After a review of the transcript and other documentation, it was moved by Ms. Slaughter, seconded by Rev. Archie, to revoke the teaching certificate of Floyd King. This matter came before the Board as a result of his guilty plea to the class B felony, Driving While Intoxicated—Aggravated Offender, in July 2008.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6) (Exhibit 9)

No. 11426  
Discipline to  
the Teaching  
Certificate of  
Christina  
Stranghoener

It was moved by Dr. Thompson, seconded by Ms. Slaughter, to revoke the license to teach of Christina Stranghoener. This matter came before the State Board as a result of an investigation by the Warrensburg School District. The Children's Division, Child Abuse and Neglect Registry, completed an investigation and made a finding of Preponderance of Evidence for Child Abuse/Neglect, in February 2008.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6) (Exhibit 10)

No. 11427  
Discipline to  
the Teaching  
Certificate of  
Connie  
Wooton

It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Mr. Ponder, to suspend the certificate of license to teach of Connie Wooton for a 30-day period, and direct the hearing officer to periodically review Respondent's record. This matter came before the Board as a result of her guilty plea to one count of municipal charge of Possession of Marijuana; and one count of municipal charge of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, in March 2007.

Motion carried. (Yes: 6) (Exhibit 11)

No. 11428  
Consideration  
of Classifying  
School  
Districts  
under MSIP

It was moved by Dr. Thompson, seconded by Rev. Archie, to classify the following school districts under the fourth cycle of the Missouri School Improvement Program:

No. 11428	Steelville R-III	Accredited
Consideration	Senath-Hornersville C-8	Accredited
of Classifying	Southland C-9	Accredited
School	Callao C-8	Accredited
Districts	Ferguson-Florissant R-II	Accredited
under MSIP	Sikeston R-6	Accredited
(Cont.)	Morgan Co. R-I	Provisionally Accredited
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Motion carried. (Yes: 6) (Exhibit 12)

No. 11429	It was moved by Dr. Thompson, seconded by Ms. Slaughter, to classify
Consideration	
of Classifying	the following districts as accredited under the waiver of on-site review
School	
Districts	provisions under the 4 <sup>th</sup> cycle of the Missouri School Improvement Program:
Under the	
Waiver	Liberal R-II
Program	Zalma R-V

Sherwood Cass R-VIII  
Spokane R-VII  
Malden R-I  
Strafford R-VI  
Macon County R-IV  
Scotland County  
Bernie R-XIII

Motion carried (Yes: 6) (Exhibit 13)

No. 11430	It was moved by Mr. Ponder, seconded by Rev. Archie, to authorize
Rule	
Missouri	publication in the <i>Missouri Register</i> of a notice of proposed rulemaking to
School	
Improvement	adopt rule 5 CSR 50-345.105, Missouri School Improvement Program
Program—	
Fifth Cycle	(MSIP)—Fifth Cycle; and the State Board finds this adoption necessary to carry

out the purposes of Sections 161.092, 162.081, 167.131, and 168.081, RSMo.

Motion carried. (Yes: 7) (Exhibit 14)

No. 11431                      It was moved by Rev. Archie, seconded by Ms. Slaughter, to authorize  
Rule  
Missouri                      publication in the *Missouri Register* of a notice of proposed rulemaking to  
School  
Improvement                adopt rule 5 CSR 50-345.205, Missouri School Improvement Program  
Program—  
Fifth Cycle                      (MSIP)—Fifth Cycle Waivers of Regulations; and the State Board finds this  
Waivers of  
Regulations                adoption necessary to carry out the purposes of Sections 160.518, 160.545,  
8/6/09                      161.092, 161.210 and 163.031, RSMo.

Motion carried. (Yes: 7) (Exhibit 15)

No. 11432                      It was moved by Mr. Herschend, seconded by Rev. Archie, to amend  
Amendment  
of Agenda                      the agenda to include consideration of discussion of the Common Core  
  
Standards Memorandum of Agreement.

Motion carried. (Yes: 7)

No. 11432                      It was moved by Mr. Herschend, seconded by Rev. Archie, to authorize  
Consideration  
of Common                      the Commissioner of Education to sign the Common Core Standards  
Core  
Standards                      Memorandum of Agreement as presented by the Council of Chief State School  
Memorandum  
of Agreement                Officers and the National Governors Association Center for Best Practices.

Motion Carried. (Yes: 6 No: 1)

No. 11433                      The following reports were presented to the State Board of Education on  
Reports  
8/06/09                      August 6-7, 2009:

Report on the 2009 Missouri Fine Arts and Scholars Academies – Stan Johnson, David Welch, Julie Bloodworth, Ted Tarkow, Erika Flowers and Taylor Phillips

Report from the Missouri Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (MACTE) – Rusty Rosenkoetter and Chris Craig

Report on the Fiscal Year 2010 Supplemental and Fiscal Year 2011 Potential Budget Request – Gerri Ogle and Shari LePage



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Study Session: Charter Schools – Stan Johnson, Jocelyn Strand, Kristen Morrow, William Haft and Douglas Thaman

Report on Turnaround Schools – Stan Johnson, Larry Flakne, J.J. Bullington, Gwendolyn Diggs and April Flowers

Agenda Items for Two Months in Advance of Current Meeting – David Liechi

No. 11434  
Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m. on August 7, 2009. The next meeting of the State Board of Education will be held September 10-11, 2009, in Jefferson City, Missouri.

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President

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Executive Assistant